

*Executive Proclamation*  
*State of South Dakota*  
*Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others; and,

*Whereas*, Linda Nickles began her career at the South Dakota Human Services Center in July 1966. Her career with the state of South Dakota has spanned 36 years, 9 months and 11 days; and,

*Whereas*, For that length of time, Linda has served in the capacity of a nurse in both the old and new Human Services Center and, furthermore, has applied her nursing skills in programs ranging from mental health treatment to the treatment of adolescents and adult chemical dependency; and,

*Whereas*, Linda will spend much more quality time in retirement with her children, grandchildren, mother, sister, and her pet dog "Joey"; and,

*Whereas*, Linda will be most remembered for her love of smiley faces, blowing bubbles, optimism, laughter, understanding, sour cream raisin bars, peanut brittle and, especially, snack mix; and,

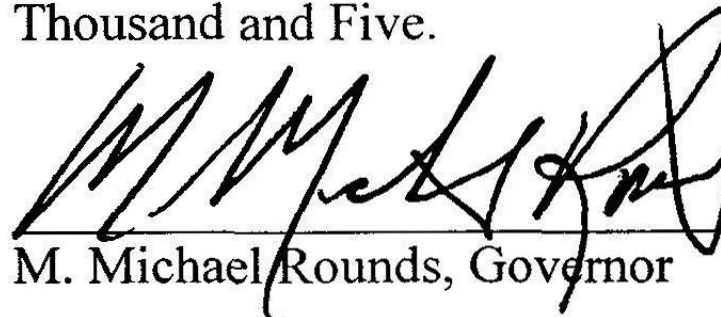
*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the many accomplishments of this employee:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2005, as

*LINDA NICKLES DAY*


in South Dakota, and I join with her family and friends in wishing her well in her retirement and thanking her for her service.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-seventh Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:



Chris Nelson, Secretary of State

